

Canons High School News

'A High Performing Specialist School' (DfES 2006)



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A message from the Headteacher

Proposal to change the School Day from September 2008

We have been in consultation with the school staff regarding a proposal to amend the timing of the start and finish our school day, with effect from September 2008. Staff and School Governors are in broad agreement with this proposal and I am now seeking the views of parents and pupils. Currently, the school day starts at 8.50am and finishes at 3.30pm. In the new proposed model our day would: start at 8.45am and finish at 3.10pm.

Essentially, this means that we would start the day 5 minutes earlier and finish 20 minutes earlier. I stress that there will be no loss of lesson time as we will be removing the 5 minute afternoon registration and, instead, registering pupils during afternoon lessons. Also, we will be shortening the lunch break by 10 minutes.

I feel it is very important that parents have the chance to make their views known, so I am inviting comments and enquiries from you by next Friday, 28th March. If it is more convenient, I can respond to emails on: admin@canons.harrow.sch.uk.

L. Rowlands

Year 11 French Rev-is-olution

Recently, 24 year 11 students attended a GCSE French Revision conference in London, accompanied by Mrs Grindrod and veteran trip-leader Mr Morrow. Students were given helpful hints on how to improve their exam performance.

The students enjoyed the conference, especially the songs and the sketches.

"I thought it was really useful" said a girl in 11MD.

"I loved the songs" said Suraj in 11JG.

"I liked doing the actions to the songs most!" said Chanka in 11JG.

"I learned a lot of great stuff for my speaking exam" said a student in 11GG.

Thank you to Mr Morrow for supporting the MFL Department by attending the conference.

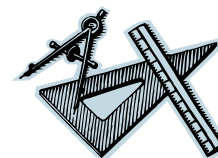
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Year 10 Engineering Group @ College Of North West London

A group of Year 10CW students attended CNWL's Open Day at Willesden on Wednesday 12th March for a clearer insight to engineering courses. The trip was organized by Mr. C Wells, Head of Technology. The Year 10 group visited a wide range of vocational courses that are on offer in the college, from electronics to plastering, mechanics and carpentry. The range was quite overwhelming. Lots of students at the college were engaged in competitions with their own creative work, the various trades that were brought to our attention were exceptional.

It was also interesting to see the variety of skills used on the show. Some of our students tried their hand at some of the activities on offer which were enjoyed immensely for that afternoon. The visit gave them an insight into the various trade courses available to them and an alternative to the academic route commencing into work.

Mr. C Wells



Investors In People (IIP)

Congratulations to all

We are delighted to report yet another success. Canons High School has achieved the

Investors in People Award.

We would like to thank every body involved either directly or indirectly for their efforts.

The assessor had many very positive things to say about the school and the people who work in it.

Thank you - a tremendous achievement



Reminder: Mental Maths Practise Test for Year 9

The Maths Department is holding extra revision sessions/classes during school for Year 9 until the SATS exam begin:

- Times 12:30pm - 1:00pm
- Fridays - Room 17
- Monday & Thursdays - Room13

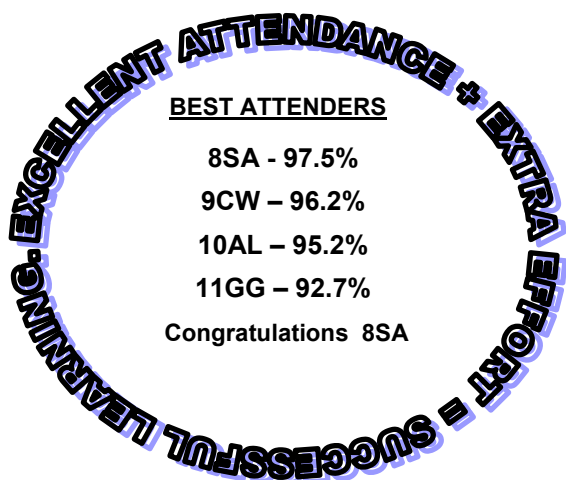


Maths GCSE Revision Classes

These revision classes are based on students currently working at grade D who could advance to a grade C given the extra time. This could be achievable before the end of May 08. These classes commence after school every Tuesday at:

- Times: 3:40pm - 4: 40pm
- Tuesdays in Room 12

Ms K. Somasiri



Easter Holidays reminder

Just a reminder that:

The School will be closed on the following dates, please note these in your diaries:

- Next Friday is **Good Friday 21st March**
- Monday is **Bank Holiday 24th March**

Students should return to school on Tuesday, 25th March at the usual time.

Dates for your diaries: Year 11 Drama Exams on the 17th & 18th March 2008